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VIA ECF

Hon. George C. Hanks, Jr. United States District Judge Southern District of Texas 515 Rusk St., Room 6202 Houston, TX 77002

Re: <u>In re Alta Mesa Resources Securities Litigation</u>, 4:19-cv-00957-GCH

Dear Judge Hanks:

We write on behalf of HPS Investment Partners, Don Dimitrievich, Bayou City, William McMullen, and ARM Energy (together, "Defendants"), in case no. 4:19-cv-00957 (consolidated), regarding the Summary Judgment Oral Argument Motion Hearing (the "Hearing") set for April 22, 2024 at 10:00 AM. *See* Dkt. 727.

We appreciate the Court granting Defendants' requests for oral argument on Defendants' summary judgment motions. Unfortunately, however, one counsel will be traveling on April 22 returning from a pre-planned tenth-year anniversary trip, and another counsel will be traveling that day returning from a pre-planned family trip. Additionally, a third counsel will be celebrating Passover on April 23-24.

Counsel for Defendants were prepared to request that the Court move the Hearing to Thursday, April 25, 2024, or Friday, April 26, 2024, so that counsel for all Defendants can attend. But when counsel for Class Plaintiffs responded to Defendants' proposal via email, they noted that (1) Mr. Entwistle will be handling the argument for the Class; (2) Mr. Entwistle is not available on April 25 or 26; (3) Class Plaintiffs "object to [Defendants'] request" to reschedule the Hearing; and (4) Class Plaintiffs are "prepared to go forward with the oral argument, which [Defendants] requested, on April 22 as set by the Court."

Accordingly, counsel for Defendants now propose that the Hearing be rescheduled to **April 17, 2024**, **April 18, 2024**, or **April 24, 2024**. We simply seek a minor accommodation based on pre-planned commitments.

That said, if these dates do not work for the Court's schedule, counsel for Defendants will make arrangements to ensure their attendance at the Hearing as currently scheduled on April 22, 2024.

We appreciate the Court's consideration of this request and are happy to answer any questions the Court may have.

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¹ Please note that if the April 24, 2024 date works for the Court, then the counsel for Defendants who is celebrating Passover will not be able to attend. Nevertheless, counsel for Defendants have conferred and can work around this.

Respectfully submitted,

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